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## AMENDMENT AFTER NOTICE OF APPEAL

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Sir:

A Notice of Appeal was filed on July 22, 2004. This amendment is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, it is requested that the application be remanded to the Examiner for purposes of entry and consideration of the amendment and allowance of the application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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